

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 560
By Hood

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Ralph Vaughn for his
meritorious service as President of the
Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the state of Tennessee should
pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who have given unselfishly of themselves, their
time and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Vaughn is one such remarkable public servant, a voice of integrity as
president of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished 11-year tenure as president, the Chamber of
Commerce received its accreditation from the United States Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ralph Vaughn designed the first Drug-Free Workforce program in
Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Middle Tennessee, Ralph Vaughn joined the staff of
the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce in 1986 and during his tenure has proven to be a
valuable asset to the community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vaughn was one of the founders of the internationally known Fiddlers
Jamboree in Smithville, a two-day event that attracts over 100,000 people; and

WHEREAS, throughout his excellent service to the Chamber of Commerce, he has
adhered to the common sense approach and has displayed the common touch in all endeavors,
working well with old and young alike; and

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WHEREAS, a concerned person whose willingness to help those in need knows no bounds, Ralph Vaughn is highly regarded as a professional and our friend in Rutherford County and is as dependable and honest as the day is long; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vaughn enjoys the love and support of his wife Linda and their children: Randy and Cindy Vaughn and Will and Rick Hawkins; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Vaughn is the perfect example of a person totally committed to family and the highest ideals of public service and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Ralph Vaughn for meritorious service as President of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and salute his commitment to equality.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.